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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment for the present patent application.

## In the Specification:

After the title, please insert the following:

-- The present patent application is a non-provisional application of International Application No. PCT/FR2003/001976, filed June 26, 2003.--

Respectfully submitted,

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